

BROCK DISCLAIMS CANNON'S CHARGE

Takes Exception to Article in
Which He Is Charged
With Desertion.

OBJECTS TO FORM OF BALLOT

Would Have Supported Bill if
Senate Amendment Had
Been Reported.

In a statement issued last night, Senator Brock takes exception to what he designates "an unwarranted and unfair" criticism of himself and Senator Early contained in an article published of February 14, over the signature of Dr. James Cannon, Jr. The article in question takes Senator Brock to task for deserting the enabling act forces at the crucial moment, after consistently supporting the Williams bill with all its vicious amendments.

Statement by Brock.
Senator Brock's statement follows:
My attention has been directed to an article in the Richmond Virginian written by Dr. James Cannon, Jr., which was published in its issue of February 14, in which there appears what I consider an unwarranted and unfair criticism of Senator Early and myself and others who voted against the report of the conference on the enabling act.

First, let me say, when I gave out a statement to the News Leader and the Evening Journal, appearing in their issues of January 28, that I would vote for the bill provided the amendments adopted by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections were concurred in by the Senate, namely, that the ballot read: "For State-wide prohibition" and "For local option"; that the law, should it pass, would become effective in May, 1917, instead of May, 1916, and that the time of holding the election be set earlier than September, in order that the electorate might not be padded.

Told Ballot Was Fair.
I had been informed by the leader of the dry forces in the Senate that this form of the ballot was fair and would be acceptable to them. Not only so, but dry men in the House told me the same thing. Having on the 27th of January received a letter from Dr. Cannon, in reference to my having stated that I wanted to carry out the wishes of my constituents and asking what test I desired to apply to indicate what those wishes were, by way of reply I enclosed him a copy of the statement just given to the press, and on the second day of February by way of answer he wrote me this:

"Dear Sir:—I hereby acknowledge receipt of your letter inclosing the statement which you sent to the press. I have read the same with care and am glad that you have decided to vote for the bill, but I trust that upon consideration you will realize that the liquor dealers are being given twenty-seven months in which to make their ar-

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arrangements to change their investments, and this is as much time as they can reasonably expect.

"Yours sincerely,
(Signed) "JAMES CANNON, JR."

Cannon Did Not Object.
Apparently from this letter Dr. Cannon found no serious objection to the ballot amendment, for he states that he is glad that I have decided to vote for the bill, but he does find fault with the extension of time and expresses the hope that after consideration I will realize that the time fixed in the bill is sufficient. Before the bill was voted on I informed Senator Mapp, the leader of the dry forces in the Senate, in whom I had great confidence, that I would not stickle for amendments as to the time of holding the election or as to the time the law was to become effective, though I thought the additional year would be preferable. He had told me more than once, and had so stated on the floor of the Senate, that this form of the ballot was fair, and while I told him I would vote for 1917, when the bill went to the conference, I would stand by their action on this matter. Again, after the bill went to the conference, I repeated to Senator Mapp that I would stand by the conference report, and I would support whatever it was, and also on such action as they might take on the beer amendment, which I had voted for, and which appeared to me harmless and certainly consistent with the amendment exempting cider, but that as to the amendment relative to the ballot which I had been led to think was fair and least objectionable to the dry

forces, and which had been adopted by the Senate without a dissenting voice, I would hold out for its acceptance.

Adopt House Form.

While the matter was before the conference, I had heard some talk of an effort being made to go back to the form of the ballot, as provided in the House bill, and not until the conference report was read on the morning of the 14th did I know what that report contained, nor did I know what a change in the attitude of the dry forces toward this amendment had taken place until Senator Mapp made his speech on the report. I was surprised, as I had supposed that this was one concession that the dry forces had granted without a contest. I had been assured by every dry member of the Senate and House with whom I talked, that it was fair and satisfactory. When the vote on the report was taken, I registered my vote against its acceptance, as I had informed Senator Mapp I would do and as I thought a number of others would, and I was satisfied that the report would not be adopted.

Senator Mapp had told me that he did not expect that one conference would suffice, but that another would be needed, and before the difficult matter was adjusted, and such seemed to be the prevailing opinion; nor did I suppose for a moment that the rejection of the conference report would mean the defeat of the bill.

I had told the leaders of the dry forces in the Senate and others that it was not my intention to try to defeat the bill by loading it down with amendments, and that I did not mean to try to accomplish by indirect methods that which I was unable to try to bring about by openly opposing the bill.

I voted consistently with the drys on all amendments offered except that with reference to the time at which the law was to become operative, it being understood that I voted against from this position if the conference rejected it, and the beer amendment, of which I knew nothing until it was discussed, and which I had never discussed with any one, but having for as even less harmful than the cider amendment and consistent with it.

After this amendment was adopted I told the drys, so I again informed Senator Mapp that while I hoped the conference would allow it to stand, if they did reject it I would vote to sustain them.

However, when the conference report was finally made up, the amendment was finally made up with a minor change, extended the time to November 1, 1916, but rejected the amendment as to the ballot, which had been pronounced perfectly fair, and had been accepted by the dry forces without a contest.

Disclaims Cannon Charge.

In Dr. Cannon's letter to me no objection is made to this amendment, but he did object to an extension of time. Now, in his article in the Virginian he stated that I, along with others who had voted for the bill with vicious amendments, was not equal to the real test, but having weighed in the balance and found wanting, at the crucial moment deserted and lined up with the enemy, and absolutely misrepresented the wishes of a majority of my constituents.

What were these vicious amendments? The beer amendment; the cider amendment; that was offered by the drys and adopted by the conference; the time amendment; the time was extended six months by the conference. Then the vicious amendment was necessarily the ballot amendment. If that was vicious when the conference report was voted on, why was it not vicious on the 24 of February, when Dr. Cannon wrote me the letter I have mentioned, and if vicious then, why did he not make some objection to it as he did to the 1917 amendment?

The leaders of the dry forces knew that I was willing to yield on the other amendments if the conference rejected them, and as Dr. Cannon was in constant communication with them and followed the fight closely, it is reasonable to suppose that he knew the position I had taken.

Placed in "False Light."
It is with reluctance that I make this public statement, and I do so only after careful consideration, and I feel that I cannot in justice to myself and my friends permit such a statement as Dr. Cannon has made regarding me to go unchallenged, placing me as it does in a false light. I have heard in a false light, and I have heard during the campaign the form of the ballot discussed; it always being represented to me that a vote on the question of State-wide prohibition was demanded. As far as I am concerned, my crime seems to consist in having taken a different view of the question from that taken by Dr. Cannon.

R. K. BROCK.

Will Case Be Settled.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Philadelphia, February 17.—The will contest brought about by relatives of Miss Julia Garrett, who inherited the millions of her grandfather, William Garrett, the snuff king, and who left the bulk of an estate valued at \$10,000,000, to Isaac T. Starr, her attorney, has been settled. Miss Garrett died in Villa Nova on August 3, 1913. The will was contested by her relatives, and an appeal with the Orphans Court last September to prevent the probating of the will. The case was decided in favor of the will, and the estate was divided. The terms of settlement were announced, but it was estimated that the relatives were satisfied.

GAS LEASE OFFER AGAIN POSTPONED

Chairman Mills Says Matter Is
Too Important for Action
by Subcommittee.

The Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities last night tabled the proposition to lease the City Gas Works to the Southern Gas and Electric Company until a special meeting is held, when a hearing will be given to the officers of the company, which has made the offer. Chairman Morgan R. Mills, of the subcommittee, stated that it was too big a proposition for the subcommittee to consider, and asked that it be taken under consideration by the committee as a whole. As chairman of the whole committee he will call a special meeting probably within the next few days.

Upon the recommendation of the subcommittee it was decided at last to ask the Council to appropriate \$10,000 for improvements to the City Auditorium.

The subcommittee appointed to consider the proposed sale of the Clark Springs property to the Hollywood Memorial Association, asked to be relieved of further consideration of the matter, and was discharged. The subject will come up again at the next meeting, and will be considered by the whole committee. The Hollywood Memorial Association desires the Clark Springs property because only by its addition can the cemetery be enlarged. The West End Citizens' Association has petitioned that the city do not sell the property, but convert it into a public playground or park.

The plan to purchase a city farm at a cost of \$25,000 was referred back to the subcommittee, consisting of Messrs. Billey, Estelle and Atkinson. Mr. Powers informed the other members that he was unable to see the need of purchasing a farm, as the city already had two, one of 160 acres and one of 218 acres, one of which is in use, and either of which could be used for the care and cure of inebriates.

CHARTERS ISSUED

The following charters were issued yesterday by the State Corporation Commission: Warrenton and Fairfax Turpentine Company (Inc.), Warrenton, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$25,000. Nicholas Harrison, president; Washington, D. C.; J. Donald Richards, secretary; Warrenton, Va. The Crocker-Rutherford Corporation, Norfolk, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$10,000; minimum, \$10,000. W. C. Crocker, president; Norfolk, Va. Bay Side Lodge, No. 1, Independent Order of Good Will and Friendship of America, of Accomack County, Va. Oceanock, Va. Peter Mathews, president; Grace Drummond, secretary; Oceanock, Va. The Southwestern Correspondence School, a New Mexico corporation, Capital: \$100,000. E. B. Crawford, statutory agent; Harrisonburg, Va.

Amendment was issued to the charter of the Potomac and Chesapeake Steamboat Company, Alexandria, Va., creating \$100 preferred stock.

Amendment was issued to the charter of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, a foreign corporation, State of Pennsylvania, increasing its capital stock from \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000.

Grocers Become Bankrupt.
S. P. Liebs & Sons, a firm consisting of S. P. Liebs and Russell S. Liebs of 223 West Cary Street, filed a petition of voluntary bankruptcy yesterday in the United States District Court. The liabilities are placed at \$1,154.03, and the assets at \$781.64. The petitioners claim \$225 under the homestead exemption act.

Four Months for \$4.
Fred Lyon was sent to jail four months yesterday morning in Police Court for stealing \$4 from C. N. Pellard for \$5.

Fined for Defendant.
The jury in the City Circuit Court yesterday found for the defendant in the suit of C. E. Leehr against A. N. Pellard for \$5.

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BUILDING PERMITS

W. J. Gilman to Erect Two Tenements on Grove Avenue and House on Grace Street. Building and repair permits were issued yesterday from the Building Inspector's office to the following:

W. J. Gilman, to build two two-story brick tenement of four dwellings on the north side of Grove Avenue between Cleveland and Tilden Streets, to cost \$15,000.

W. J. Gilman, to build a detached two-story brick dwelling on the south side of Grace Street between Addison and Davis Avenues, to cost \$2,500.

W. T. Jones, to build three detached two-story frame dwellings on the west side of Thirty-fourth Street between R and S Streets, to cost \$4,800.

W. R. Kohns, to repair six frame dwellings, from 202 to 712, inclusive, Norton Street, to cost \$1,000.

Elvira Nash, to repair frame dwelling at 316 West Twenty-second Street, to cost \$200.

Moore & Burke, to repair brick store at 215 Hull Street, South Richmond, to cost \$200.

Bryan Asks Appropriation.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Washington, February 17.—Secretary of State Bryan yesterday asked the House Appropriations Committee to include in the urgent deficiency bill an item of \$2,000 for the arbitration of outstanding pecuniary claims between the United States and Great Britain. The hearing was the briefest on record, the secretary staying but a minute and a half.

News of Petersburg

The Times-Dispatch Bureau,
5 Bollingbrook Street,
(Phone 1455).

Petersburg, Va., February 17.
There were no new developments today in the matter of the safe-blowing and robbery at the Rucker Company's Department Stores last night. Every-

thing points to the fact that the safe-blowers were experts in their line, and that the robbery had been carefully timed and planned.

This morning when the letter carrier collected the mail from the box at the corner of Second and River Streets, he found an unaddressed package tied with a yellow cigar band. He took the package to the post-office, where it was opened and found to contain checks and money orders for the amount of \$119. At which time the package was dropped in the mail box is, of course, not known. It may have been left early in the morning, after the robbers had had time to examine and assort their booty. Two men, as indicated by tracks in the snow in the rear of the Rucker building, were engaged in the robbery.

It is stated that yesterday a stranger went to the Rucker store and asked to be shown some blankets. He was taken to the basement and shown a varied stock. It was some of these blankets that were used in covering the safe to deaden the sound of the explosion. It is also stated that two young men, strangers, yesterday afternoon, left their values at a store on River Street to be called for later. About 9:30 o'clock last night the two men rushed into the store in a great hurry, picked up their values and left. The impression was that they wanted to catch a car to Richmond, or to take a train to some other point. The police have no idea in what direction the robbers have gone. They left no clue behind them.

No arrests have yet been made. Two strangers, regarded as suspicious, were taken into custody yesterday by the police, but they satisfactorily accounted for themselves and were released.

Pythian Golden Jubilee.
The members of the two Pythian lodges in this city will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the order on Thursday evening in the Castle Hall of Naomi Lodge, and the occasion is expected to be one of great interest, and addresses will be delivered and other services appropriate to the day will be held.

Death of Young Man.
Albert Edward Rabe, formerly of Richmond, but for several years past a resident of Petersburg, died this morning after a brief illness. Arrangements had just been completed to take the body to Johns Hopkins Hospital, in Baltimore, and he died in the ambulance on the way to the depot. Mr. Rabe was chief car inspector for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad in this city, and had many friends here. He was in his thirty-third year, and survived by his wife, his mother, Mrs. Marie Rabe, who is critically ill at her home in Chesterfield, and one brother, Charles Rabe, of Chesterfield. The body will be taken to Richmond on Thursday for burial in Maury Cemetery.

Two Morning Marriages.
This morning at 10:30 o'clock, at the residence of the Rev. A. R. Love, the officiating minister, Miss Blanche Estelle Pillow, daughter of R. L. Pillow, was married to George Wallace Rucker, a well-known and popular young business man of this city. The young couple left for Washington on their bridal trip.

At 9 o'clock this morning in Grace Episcopal Church the Rev. C. B. Bryan, D. D., officiating, Miss Hilva Wilkins

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